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My dear Sir

I greatly marvel that you have never mentioned if you have received that Parcel of roots which I sent you a year ago & that I have not heard from the large package of plants which I confided to Dr Storer for the Bot. Nat. Hist. Soc. - I drop you this note this morning enclosing a letter to Mr J. A. Lowell in which I offer him my Herbarium at such value as he may fix upon it I would give it to him if I could afford it but I am poor now & am obliged to sell it

I have long intended to ask you to assist me to some post in Boston or elsewhere which would afford an income sufficient to the support of myself & wife Four years ago I lost my whole property the result of many years hard professional labour & I feel unequal to the task of undergoing the same again I am now suffering under an affliction infinitely greater than the loss of property & I feel anxious to get away from the scene of such deep misery

I wish you would have your attention directed to this subject - I care but little what the employment may be so it be honest but would prefer some place which would connect me with objects of Nat. Hist which I have loved so long & well - I may write you on this subject again
In the meantime I am as ever Yours Sincerely
To Prof. Gray
A. W. Chapman



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